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James E. Audia, et al.	) Group Art Unit: 1624			
Application No.: 09/882,777	Examiner: B. Kifle			
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For: POLYCYCLIC α-AMINO-ε- CAPROLACTAMS AND RELATED COMPOUNDS	POR AR STORY			
AMENDMENT AND REP	LY TO OFFICE ACTION			
Assistant Commissioner for Patents				

## **AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Reply and Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed on February 4, 2003, for the above-referenced patent application setting a three month period for response. Accordingly, this response is being filed on or before May 4, 2003. It is believed that no fee is due in connection with this filing; however, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

## **AMENDMENT**

## In the Claims:

Please amend Claims 63, 64 and 109 as follows:

63. (Twice Amended) A compound of formula I:

$$R^1$$
 $N$ 
 $N$ 
 $N$ 
 $N$ 
 $N$